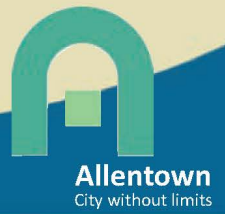
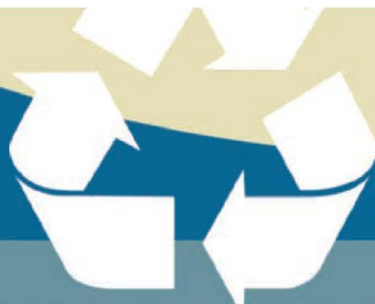


# 2017



# RECYCLING NEWS



## Single Stream is Making It Easier...

Single Stream Recycling allows City of Allentown residents to mix recyclable paper, cardboard, plastics 1-7, aluminum and steel cans and glass in their recycling bins. This method of recycling is more convenient for residents because it requires no sorting of these items. It also saves taxpayer dollars! However, residents must be careful not to throw trash and non-recyclable items in the bins. This can cause contamination and other problems.

Contaminants can have serious negative consequences for the processing of the recyclables, breaking recycling machinery and creating safety hazards for workers. Recycling machinery is built to process the paper, cardboard, cans and bottles. Items like plastic bags, hangers, diapers and trash can gum up sorting equipment causing equipment failures and downtime.

**DID YOU KNOW.....**Doing just these three things will make a HUGE difference!!!

**1**

Recycle all my empty bottles, cardboard, cans and paper.

**2**

Keep food, liquids and trash out of the recycling bins.

**3**

Keep plastic bags out of the recycling bins.

## ...and Now Get Rewarded!



GOOD ACTIONS.  
GREAT DEALS



The City of Allentown has partnered with Recyclebank® to reward our residents for making a cleaner, greener community through recycling and other good actions. Allentown residents can earn reward points just by recycling every week. The points can be redeemed for gift cards at local and national retailers, coupons and on the deals listed on the Recyclebank® website.

Visit [www.recyclebank.com](http://www.recyclebank.com) or call 888-727-9278 to sign up and start earning your points!

Hablamos Español



## WE ARE MOVING!!!

In February, the  
Bureau of Recycling and  
Solid Waste will be moving to:

**641 S. 10th St.**  
**Department of Public Works**  
**Bridgeworks**

The Recycling  
Drop-Off Center  
will remain at the  
current location.





# WEEKLY TRASH ALLOWANCES - DO NOT EXCEED

## 1st Collection Nights of the Week | 2nd Collection Nights of the Week

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<p>➔ 5 Bags of Trash <b>or</b> 2 Trash Cans</p> <p>➔ No furniture, bulk items or construction material collected on these nights.</p>			<p>➔ 5 Bags of Trash <b>or</b> 2 Trash Cans</p> <p>➔ 1 bulk item (sofa, chair, or carpeting ) <b>OR</b> 40 lbs. of bundled construction material will be collected on these nights.</p>		

- ➔ Put out trash & recycling between 5:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m. on your nights only.
- ➔ Trash must be in bags or cans, not in boxes. No loose or messy trash.
- ➔ Trash, recycling and yard waste must be placed in front of your own property only.

**SWEEP Tickets Issued for Violations.**

Twice a week trash collection and once a week recycling collection

## 2017 CALENDAR

**FEBRUARY 4** - Electronics Recycling & Yard Waste Drop-Off 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

**MARCH 4** - Electronics Recycling & Yard Waste Drop-Off 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

**APRIL 1** - Yard Waste Site Opens Regular Season Hours

**APRIL 2** - Curbside Yard Waste Collection Begins. Ends Thanksgiving week.

**MAY 29** - **MEMORIAL DAY**  
NO change in collection.  
Yard Waste Site Closed

**JULY 4** - **INDEPENDENCE DAY**  
Trash and Recycling Cancelled

**SEPTEMBER 4** - **LABOR DAY**  
NO change in collection.  
Yard Waste Site Closed

**NOVEMBER 18** - Yard Waste Site Closes for the season.

**FOR HOLIDAY HOURS  
PLEASE SEE OUR  
WEBSITE  
OR CALL US AT**

**610-437-8729**

[www.allentownpa.gov/recycle](http://www.allentownpa.gov/recycle)



## Electronics Recycling

Free to City Residents (ONLY)  
1401 Oxford Drive

- **WINTER HOURS:** February 4, March 4 and December 2  
10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
- **REGULAR HOURS:** April through November on the first and third Saturday of each month  
8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Dates and times subject to change.

\*\*\*\*NEW HOURS\*\*\*\*

**Accepted items:** computers, keyboards, monitors, printers, scanners, laptops and televisions - **one projection TV** or **two regular TVs** per vehicle per day.

## Yard Waste Site Drop-Off 1401 Oxford Drive

**OPENS** for the season Saturday, April 1 through Saturday, November 18 on the following days and times:

MONDAYS	12:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
WEDNESDAYS	8:00 a.m. - 6:30 p.m. (or dusk)
FRIDAYS	12:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
SATURDAYS	8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

### WINTER DATES

February 4	10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
March 4	10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
December 2	10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

## Appliance & Metal Pick-Up

- City residents must call **610-437-8729** to schedule a pick up of their appliances and large metal items.
- There is a \$20 fee that must be prepaid for the collection and proper handling of FREON appliances (refrigerators, A/Cs, dehumidifiers, water coolers).
- The \$20 fee can be paid in person or mailed to the Bureau of Recycling & Solid Waste. Cash, check or money orders accepted.
- No charge for other appliances or large metal items.







Like **Single Stream Scottie** on Facebook!

[www.facebook.com/AllentownRecycles](http://www.facebook.com/AllentownRecycles)



## Meet Single Stream Scottie!

Single Stream Scottie is a black Scottish terrier who will be making his way through the Allentown schools, parades and community events, educating everyone on the benefits of recycling and litter prevention. Single Stream Scottie says, "It's easier than ever, just mix together! Recycle your cans, bottles, paper and cardboard in the recycling bin."

The Bureau of Recycling and Solid Waste education program created Scottie to help spread the word on the importance of reducing, reusing and recycling. If you are interested in scheduling Scottie to appear at your assembly, classroom, education fair or community event, please contact Kristin Baringer Education Manager, at 610-437-8729 or [Kristin.Baringer@allentowpa.gov](mailto:Kristin.Baringer@allentowpa.gov)

To learn more about Single Stream Scottie and his journey through the City of Allentown visit us at [www.allentowpa.gov/scottie](http://www.allentowpa.gov/scottie)

## SIDEWALKS, TREE WELLS & CURBLINES

- Did you know...that per City Ordinance, you are responsible to cut and maintain the grass and weeds on your property, as well as any tree well, sidewalk, curbline or planter strip that is in front of your property. Please note, if the planter strip has a litter basket attached to a pole, you are still responsible to maintain the grass in that strip. **(Please see pictures below.)**
- Residents, property and business owners are also responsible to remove and prevent any litter accumulation from the sidewalk area including the tree well and planter strip.



OVERGROWN TREE WELL VS. PROPER TREE WELL



OVERGROWN PLANTER STRIP/CURBLINE VS. PROPER PLANTER STRIP/CURBLINE



Questions about  
Yard Waste?

CALL OUR HOTLINE  
610-841-5657

## CITY CONTACT INFO

Emergency.....911

Police Non-Emergency.....610-437-7751

General Info / Tip Line.....610-439-5999

Community Development.....610-437-7610

Department of Finance.....610-437-7500

Parks & Recreation.....610-437-7750

Public Works.....610-437-7587

## BUREAUS / PROGRAMS

Animal Control.....610-437-7535

Building Standards.....610-437-7695

Engineering.....610-437-7596

Environmental Health.....610-437-7759

Health.....610-437-7760

Recycling & Solid Waste..... 610-437-8729

Streets.....610-437-7638

SWEEP.....610-437-7770

Traffic.....610-437-7735

Zoning.....610-437-7630

**NOT SURE HOW  
TO DISPOSE OF  
SOMETHING?**

**PLEASE  
CALL  
RECYCLING  
&  
SOLID WASTE**

**610-437-8729**

[www.allentownpa.gov/  
recycle](http://www.allentownpa.gov/recycle)

# IMPORTANT!



The City of Allentown is under a quarantine for the Spotted Lanternfly. This insect was found within the City limits. This quarantine was issued by the PA Department of Agriculture. This insect is very destructive and a threat to agriculture in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Until the City is cleared by the Department of Agriculture, yard waste may not leave the city limits.

For more information on the spotted lanternfly visit:

[www.agriculture.pa.gov/Protect/PlantIndustry/spotted\\_lanternfly/Pages/default.aspx](http://www.agriculture.pa.gov/Protect/PlantIndustry/spotted_lanternfly/Pages/default.aspx)

## YOU CAN KEEP OUR STREAMS CLEAN!



- Clean up after pets
- Use fertilizers properly
- Clean up grass clippings & leaves from your yard
- Report illegal dumping into storm inlets & creeks
- Report irresponsible construction & commercial site operations

**TO REPORT  
ILLEGAL DUMPING  
IN PROGRESS**

**Call: 610-437-7751**



## Dog Licenses

2017 annual dog licenses are available at the Recycling office. Dog Licenses are required by law in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. They cost less than \$10 and can help to reunite you with your lost dog. Lifetime Licenses are only available through the Lehigh County Fiscal Office: 610-782-3112.

## In Addition

State Law requires that dogs and cats, three (3) months and older, **MUST** be vaccinated against rabies.

## Common Animal Control Issues

**BARKING:** Pet owners must take measures to prevent excessive barking, crying, or annoying noise.

**AT-LARGE ANIMALS:** Animals are not allowed to run loose in the city and trespass on private property. All animals must be secured by a leash. No domestic animals are permitted in Old Allentown Cemetery at 10th and Linden streets.

**PROPER CARE:** Pet Owners must provide adequate (clean) water and food daily. They must also provide clean and proper shelter both indoors and outdoors. Pet owners are required to pick up all animal droppings on their property daily and must immediately pick up droppings deposited on other properties/in public.

**SWEEP tickets** are issued for violations of the Animal Control ordinance.

Please call the Animal Control Office  
with questions:

**610-437-7535**